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By the King.

¶ A Proclamation to declare His Maiesties pleasure touching His Royall Coronation, and the Solemnitie thereof.

WHereas Wee haue resolued, by the fauour and blessing of GOD, to celebrate the Solemnitie of Our owne Royall Coronation, together also with the Coronation of Our most dearely beloued Consort the Queene, vpon the second day of Februarie next, being Candlemas day, at our Palace of Westminster: And forasmuch as by the ancient Customes and Vsages of this Realme, as also in regard of diuers Tenures of sundry Manors, Lands, & other Hereditaments, many of Our louing Subiects doe claime, and are bound to doe and performe diuers seuerall Seruices on the said day, and at the time of Our Coronation, as in times precedent their Ancestors, and those from whom they claime, haue done and performed at the Coronations of Our famous Progenitors and Predecessors, Kings and Queenes of this Realme: We therefore, out of Our Princely care for the preseruation of the lawfull Rights and Inheritances of Our louing Subiects whom it may concerne, Haue thought fit to giue notice of, and publish Our Resolution herein, and doe hereby giue notice of, and publish the same accordingly.

And Wee doe hereby further signifie, That by Our Commission vnder Our great Seale of ENGLAND, We shall appoint and authorize Our right trustie and right welbeloued Counsellors, Sir Thomas Couentrie Knight, Lord Keeper of Our great Seale of England, and Iames Lord Ley, Our high Treasurer of England, Our right trustie and right welbeloued Cousins and Counsellors, Edward Earle of Worcester, Keeper of Our Priuie Seale, Thomas Earle of Arundell and Surrey, Earle Marshall of England, and William Earle of Pembrooke, Lord Chamberlaine of Our Household, Our right trustie and right welbeloued Cousin, Edward Earle of Dorset, and Our trustie and

welbeloued, Sir Randall Crew Knight, Our chiefe Iustice for Pleas, to be holde before Vs, or any three, or more of them, to receiue, heare, and determine the Petitions and Claimes, which shall be to them exhibited by any of Our louing Subiects in this behalfe; and wee shall appoint Our said Commissioners for that purpose, to sit in the painted Chamber of Our Palace at Westminster vpon the fiue and twenty, seuen and twenty, and eight and twenty dayes of this instant moneth of January, in the afternoones of those dayes, for the execution of Our sayd Commission, which wee doe thus publish, to the intent that all such persons, whom it may any wayes concerne, may know when, and where to giue their attendance, for exhibiting of their Petitions, and Claimes concerning their Seruices before mentioned, to be done or performed vnto Vs at Our said Coronation.

And wee doe further hereby signifie to all, and euery of Our Subiects, whom it may concerne, That, whereas We haue thought fit (by reason that the late great and grieuous Infection of the plague in Our sayd Citie, hath for the most part left the same vnfurnished, both of Materials, and of able and experienced Workemen, which are necessarily to bee imployed in an Action of so great State, as is Our proceeding from Our Tower of London through Our said Citie) to put off and deferre Our said proceeding, vntill the first day of May next; Yet neuertheleſſe, Our Will and pleasure is, and We doe hereby straitly charge all persons, of What ranke or qualitie soeuer they be, Who either vpon our Letters to them directed, or by reason of their Offices or Tenures, or otherwise, are to doe any seruice at the sayd day or time of Our Coronation, that they doe duely giue their attendance accordingly in all respects furnished and appointed, as to so great a solemnity appertaineth, and answerable to the dignities and places which euery one of them respectiuely holdeth and enioyeth: And of this they, or any of them are not to fayle, as they will answere the contrary at their perill, vnleſſe vpon speciall reasons by Our Selfe, vnder Our owne hand to bee allowed, wee shall dispence with any of their Seruices or Attendances.

Giuen at Our Court at White-Hall, the seuenteenth day of Ianuary, in the first yeere of Our Reigne of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saue the King.

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